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Transmitted herewith for filing is the new utility patent application of:

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FOR: BETA-LACTAMASE SUBSTRATES HAVING PHENOLIC ETHERS

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

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| Specification | 29 |
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| Abstract | 1 |
| Declaration (unexecuted) | 3 |
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- Patent Data Sheet (2 pgs.);
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This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/261,313, filed January 12, 2001 the contents of which is incorporated by reference in its entirety herein.

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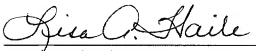
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